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Sir:

In response to the Final Rejection dated July 23, 2010, please enter the following amendments and remarks:

Amendments to the Claims are reflected in the listing of claims, which begins on page 2 of this paper.

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